

Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

English Language Declaration

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed

and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ELECTRODES FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERIES, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ELECTRODES FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERIES, AND ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERIES, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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